

House Resolution No. 130

Whereas, from time to time the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to recognize the meritorious accomplishments of an outstanding Missourian who has positively touched the lives of countless residents of the Show-Me State; and

Whereas, Dr. Robert M. Sandfort has been chosen as the deserving recipient of the Lifetime Distinguished Service Cultural Award by the St. Charles Chamber of Commerce, an impressive accolade that he will receive during the 2004 Citizen of the Years Annual Banquet on January 21, 2005, at the Columns Banquet Center; and

Whereas, Dr. Sandfort is the former President and Chief Operating Officer of MEMC Electronic Materials, Incorporated, in which capacity he was responsible for MEMC's business operations worldwide; and

Whereas, currently President of the St. Charles County Historical Society, Dr. Sandfort is a member of the Dean's Advisory Council and Capital Campaign Steering Committee for the College of Engineering at the University of Missouri-Columbia and the Board of Directors for Friends of the Missouri State Archives, the Greater St. Louis United Way, the Tri-County Auxiliary United Way, and the Parkside Meadows Retirement Community, where he also sits on the Foundation Board; and

Whereas, Dr. Sandfort attended Immanuel Lutheran School and St. Charles High School and earned a Bachelor's degree Cum Laude in electrical engineering at the University of Missouri-Columbia; and

Whereas, following an active tour of duty with the United States Army, where he was promoted to the rank of Captain, Dr. Sandfort returned to the University of Missouri-Columbia to finish his graduate studies and was awarded the Doctor of Philosophy degree in electrical engineering; and

Whereas, it is most fitting and proper that this legislative body pay tribute to Dr. Sandfort, an uncommon leader who can best be described as dedicated, devoted, and visionary - traits which make people true leaders; and

Whereas, Robert Sandfort has been blessed with the love and support of a wonderful family whose members include his wife, Janine Lee (Gilliom) Sandfort; his children and their spouses, Natalie and Scott Angell, Melissa and Max Itkin, and John and Greta Sandfort; and four grandchildren:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, unanimously join the St. Charles Chamber of Commerce in extending our most hearty congratulations to Dr. Sandfort upon his well-deserved selection to receive the Lifetime Distinguished Service Award and in wishing him continued prosperity in all future endeavors; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Dr. Robert M. Sandfort.

Offered by _____
Representative Tom Dempsey
District No. 18

Representative Joe Smith
District No. 14

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 130, adopted January 18, 2005.

Rod Jetton, Speaker